

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 11, 20 and 21 are requested to be cancelled.

Claims 1, 7, 12, 19, 22 and 30 are currently being amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

The Examiner issued an Office Action on May 10, 2006 rejecting claims 1, 4-10, 19, 20, 23-26 and 28-31 and objecting to claims 2, 3, 7, 9, 11-18, 20-22, 27, 30 and 31. The Office Action indicated that claims 2, 3, 11-18, 21, 22, and 27 are allowable over the prior art. Applicants have amended the claims to address the Office Action's objections.

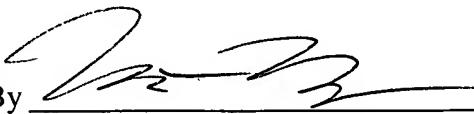
Specifically, the Applications have amended the claims to include limitations in independent claims 1 and 19 which correspond to dependent claims found allowable over the prior art. In addition, Applicants have amended the claims regarding the typographical errors and objections in the Office Action.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1450. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or

credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1450. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1450.

Respectfully submitted,

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